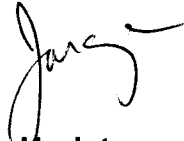


CITY OF MIAMI BEACH  
Office of the City Manager  
Letter to Commission No. 226-2005

**To:** Mayor David Dermer and  
Members of the City Commission

**Date:** August 25, 2005

**From:** Jorge M. Gonzalez  
City Manager



**Subject:** Parks & Recreation Update

**Summer Campers Experience "Retratos":** Primers and juniors at North Shore Park Youth Center, the Scott Rakow Youth Center and park other facilities took part in "2000 Years of Portraiture in Latin America" as a module of the world-renowned "**Retratos**" exhibit visited their camps in August. While the main exhibit stopped at the Bass Museum of Art as its only southern U.S. venue, a special van visited the parks where volunteer teenagers from "Art-to-Work" dressed campers in period costumes and makeup before making digital portraits of them. Children received copies of the portraits and some of the photographs will become part of the Bass Museum exhibit. Please see the attached photos.

**Free "Dive-In Movie" Makes A Splash at Scott Rakow Youth Center:** More than 150 adults and kids attended the first "Dive-In" movie as the "Movies in the Park" turned into "Movie in the Pool" at the Scott Rakow Youth Center pool Saturday night, August 20, 2005. Several of the movie goers, most of them children, watched from the water as "Cody Banks, Secret Agent 2" played. Many called it a "cool" way to watch a movie.

**Youth Sports Expo Expands With City, Community Participation:** Hundreds of residents attending the Youth Sports Expo Saturday, August 13, 2005 at Flamingo Park had an opportunity to learn more about City and community services as well as register for Parks & Recreation Athletic League play. The expanded program featured paid sponsor booths from nine area businesses, and from City departments including the Police Department, Fire Department, Neighborhood Services, and Tourism & Cultural Affairs. The Miami Beach Community Health Center and the Miami Dade County Schools also participated.

***Please mark your calendar for these upcoming Parks & Recreation Department programs:***

Movie in the Park, Friday, September 23, 2005, North Shore Parks Youth Center Gym

Free Fundays, Sunday, October 2, 2005, Flamingo Pool

Movie in the Park, Friday, October 28, 2005, Flamingo Park

You are cordially invited to visit our facilities and experience firsthand the recreational programs that offer something for every member of the family.

Should you have additional questions, please contact Kevin Smith at (305) 673-7730.

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Attachment

c: Robert C. Middaugh, Assistant City Manager  
Kevin Smith, Parks & Recreation Director  
Julio Magrisso, Assistant Parks & Recreation Director

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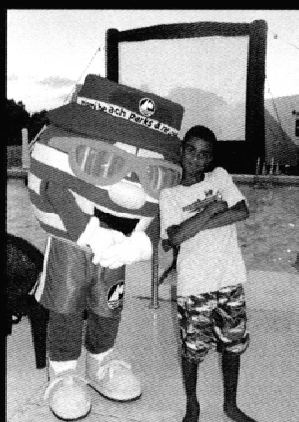
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